

FORM B - BUILDING

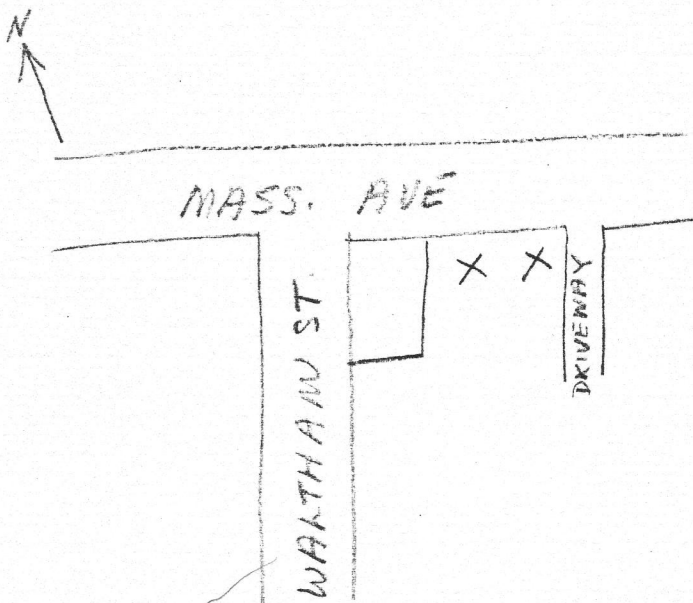
MASSACHUSETTS HISTORICAL COMMISSION
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Lexington
1736
Mass 1740 Mass. Avenue
4 Waltham St.
Aldrich Block
ent use Stores & offices
ent owner _____
ription: 1925
Source Worthen, Calendar Hist, p.120
Colonial Revival

4. Map. Draw sketch of building location in relation to nearest cross streets and other buildings. Indicate north.



DO NOT WRITE IN THIS SPACE
USGS Quadrant _____

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Architect _____
Exterior wall fabric Brick- Limestone & marble trim
Outbuildings (describe) _____
Other features Flat roof - chimney in rear- brick balustrade at top of roof-cornice & dentil course -two stories high-square(over)
Altered _____ Date _____
Moved _____ Date _____

5. Lot size:

One acre or less x Over one acre _____
Approximate frontage 40' - Mass Ave.
48' - Waltham St.
Approximate distance of building from street
flush with sidewalk

6. Recorded by Ruth Beebe
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(over)

7. Original owner (if known) _____

Original use _____

Subsequent uses (if any) and dates _____

8. Themes (check as many as applicable)

Aboriginal	_____	Conservation	_____	Recreation	_____
Agricultural	_____	Education	_____	Religion	_____
Architectural	_____	Exploration/ settlement	_____	Science/ invention	_____
The Arts	_____	Industry	_____	Social/ humanitarian	_____
Commerce	_____	Military	_____	Transportation	_____
Communication	_____	Political	_____		
Community development	_____				

9. Historical significance (include explanation of themes checked above)

Other features; square pilasters with Ionic capitals at corners & at two window intervals - pilasters not quite to cornice - keystone on windows - stringcourse with four vertical groove design - narrow wooden overhangs above shop doors - shop doors recessed - post & lintel with transom above door - coffered ceiling in recess - black marble rectangles at base of door frame - bronze (?) frames in single large pane shop windows - main door (to offices - 4 Waltham St.) recessed - limestone pilasters with no capitals - two modern aluminum doors with transoms - black marble on entry walls - directory frame; broken, pediment with urn-paneled Doric square pilasters - frieze & board below - cut-off corner back door - granite block foundation; narrow block on top of large

Aldrich Block, built in 1925. Town widened Waltham Street by 7½ feet shortly before its construction. See A Calendar History of Lexington, Massachusetts 1620-1946 by E.B. Worthen, p. 120.

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10. Bibliography and/or references (such as local histories, deeds, assessor's records, early maps, etc.)